UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

RAYMOND GADDIS,

No. C 07-4669 SI (pr)

Petitioner,

ORDER OF TRANSFER

V.

JOHN MARSHALL, warden,

Respondent.

Petitioner has filed a petition for writ of habeas corpus to challenge the denial of parole suitability. Petitioner is incarcerated, and had his parole suitability hearing, at the California Men's Colony in San Luis Obispo County. San Luis Obispo County is within the venue of the Central District of California. Venue is proper in a habeas action in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction, 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d); however, the district of confinement is the preferable forum to review the execution of a sentence, such as a parole denial claim. See Habeas L.R. 2254-3(a); Dunne v. Henman, 875 F.2d 244, 249 (9th Cir. 1989). Because petitioner is confined in the Central District of California and challenging the execution of his sentence, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a) and Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b), and in the interests of justice, this action is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Central District of California. The clerk shall transfer this matter forthwith.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: September 12, 2007

United States District Judge